

CITY OF MESA

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD
STUDY SESSION

Held in the City of Mesa Council Chamber (Lower Level)
March 24, 2010 at 3:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Randy Carter, Vice Chair
Chell Roberts
Vince DiBella
Lisa Hudson

MEMBERS ABSENT

Frank Mizner, Chair (excused)
Beth Coons (excused)

OTHERS PRESENT

John Wesley
Tom Ellsworth
Angelica Guevara
Lesley Davis
Debbie Archuleta
Gordon Sheffield
Tim Lillo
Margaret Robertson
Wahid Alam

Natalie Lewis
Others

Vice Chair Carter declared a quorum present and the meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

A. Review items on the agenda for the March 24, 2010 regular Planning & Zoning hearing.

The items on the March 24, 2010, agenda were discussed. No formal action was taken.

B. Hear a presentation by Natalie Lewis regarding Council Strategic Initiatives

Ms. Lewis explained she was representing the Mayor and Council and their long term plan for the City. She stated they had five main objectives:

Economic Development: Innovation, business friendly, redevelopment, high paying jobs. Some of the ways they hope to accomplish those goals were the new Zoning Code, keeping the Kubs, HEAT (healthcare, education, aerospace and tourism) initiatives, manufacturing jobs, light rail, transit oriented development, and additional sporting events.

Quality of Life: Safe neighborhood, parks, sustainability, parks and libraries, arts and culture, and public safety.

Community Engagement: Pride in Mesa, community conversations, and neighborhood stabilization programs, expanding Channel 11 programming, City Hall at the mall, pancake breakfasts, and continued support of faith-based and non-profit agencies.

Financial Stability: City edge new accounting system, making it easier to do business in Mesa, create an employee awards program for efficiency or sustainability efforts, market driven and privatization, and additional revenue strategies.

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Regional Leadership: Active participation in the region's future, collaborative efforts not competitive.

She stated the initiative was available on the city's web side, under the City Hall tab.

C. Planning Director Updates:

None

The meeting adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John Wesley, Secretary
Planning Director

***NOTE: Audiotapes of the Planning & Zoning Study Sessions are
available in the Planning Division Office for review.***

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